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Mr. James Impey
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RE: Petroleum Contamination at Party Tyme St. Johnsbury, Vermont SMS Site # 97-2277

Dear Mr. James Impey:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has received the Underground Storage Tank (UST) closure report which outlines the subsurface conditions for the above referenced site. The fieldwork was conducted by Griffin International, Inc. on October 24, 1997. The report is dated October 28, 1997 and summarizes the degree and extent of contamination encountered. The program involved UST piping replacement for two site USTs.

During the site activities, screened soils had concentrations up to 152 parts per million (ppm) as measured by a photoionization detector (PID). The peak PID readings were measured at depths of 1 to 3 feet below ground surface (fbgs) in the excavation. Approximately 8 cubic yards of excavated soil were stockpiled on-site due to the presence of PID elevated headspace readings. The limits of soil contamination were defined.

Site soils consisted of primarily medium to coarse sand and pea stone. Groundwater was not encountered at a (maximum) depth of approximately 3 fbgs.

The Party Tyme was inspected for sensitive receptors and none were identified.

Based on this information, the SMS requests that Party Tyme retain the services of a qualified environmental consultant to perform the following:

Ü	Develop a plan to treat and/or monitor the stockpiled soils. The soils must remain located in an area
	such that they have a low potential to impact nearby receptors. The soils must also remain properly
	encapsulated in plastic. The plan should demonstrate that child and public access to the soils is
	sufficiently restricted.

As soon as practical, submit a site location map at an approximate scale of 1:24000 showing the location of the site. Please include a scale, a north arrow, the SMS site number, and a citation of the source map. The purpose of this map is to enable the SMS to enter the site location into a Geographical Information Systems database.

Please have your consultant submit this plan and cost estimate so it may be approved prior to the initiation of onsite work. Enclosed please find a list of consultants who perform this type of work as well as the brochure "Selecting Your UST Cleanup Contractor," which will help you in choosing an environmental consultant.

Based on current information, the underground storage tanks at Party Tyme are eligible for participation in the Petroleum Cleanup Fund (PCF). You must provide written proof to the SMS that you hold no other applicable insurance in order to receive reimbursement from the PCF. The owner or permittee must pay for the removal and/or repair of the failed tank(s), and for the initial \$10,000.00 of the cleanup. The fund will reimburse the tank owner or permittee for additional eligible cleanup costs of up to \$1 million. All expenditures must be pre-approved by the Agency or performed in accordance with the "Site Investigation Guidance" expressway program. Please refer to the enclosed guidance document titled, "Procedures for Reimbursement from the Petroleum Cleanup Fund" for additional information concerning the PCF.

The Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources reserves the right to seek cost recovery of fund monies spent at the Party Tyme site if the Secretary concludes that Party Tyme is in significant violation of the Vermont Underground Storage Tank Regulations or the Underground Storage Tank statute (10 V.S.A., Chapter 59).

We realize this may be a lot to absorb and respond to. We are here to help make this process as effective and uncomplicated as possible. Please review the enclosed documents and call me with any questions you may have. I can be reached at (802) 241-3876.

Sincerely.

Chuck Schwer, Supervisor Sites Management Section

Enclosures (3)

cc:

St. Johnsbury Selectboard w/o enclosure

St. Johnsbury Health Officer w/o enclosure

DEC Regional Office w/o enclosure

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